Subpart E—Relocation Allowances

§617.40 General.

A relocation allowance shall be granted an adversely affected worker to assist the individual and the individual's family, if any, to relocate within the United States as stated in this subpart E. A relocation allowance may be granted an individual only once under a certification. A relocation allowance shall not be granted to more than one member of a family with respect to the same relocation. If applications for a relocation allowance are made by more than one member of a family as to the same relocation, the allowance shall be paid to the head of the family if otherwise eligible.

§617.41 Applications.

- (a) Forms. Applications for a relocation allowance shall be filed in accordance with this subpart E and on forms which shall be furnished by the State agency.
- (b) Submittal. An application may be submitted to the State agency at any time by an individual who has been totally or partially separated regardless of whether a certification covering the individual has been made. However, an application must be submitted to a State agency before the relocation begins for the relocation allowance to be granted, and the relocation may not be approved until after the individual is covered under a certification.
- (c) *Time limits.* Notwithstanding paragraph (b) of this section, an application for a relocation allowance may not be approved unless submitted before:
- (1) The 425th day after the date of the certification under which the individual is covered, or the 425th day after the date of the individual's last total separation, whichever is later; or
- (2) The 182d day after the concluding date of training approved under subpart C of this part 617, or approved under the regulations superseded by this part 617.

§ 617.42 Eligibility.

- (a) *Conditions.* Eligibility for a relocation allowance requires:
 - (1) A timely filed application;

- (2) Total separation from adversely affected employment at the time relocation commences:
- (3) No prior receipt of a relocation allowance under the same certification;
- (4) Relocation within the United States and outside the individual's present commuting area;
- (5) Registration with the State agency which shall furnish the individual such reemployment services as are appropriate under subpart C of this part 617:
- (6) A determination by the State agency that the individual has no reasonable expectation of securing suitable employment in the commuting area, and has obtained suitable employment affording a reasonable expectation of employment of long-term duration, or a bona fide offer of such suitable employment, outside the commuting area and in the area of intended relocation. For the purposes of this section, the term "suitable employment" means suitable work as defined in §617.3(kk) (1) and (2), whichever is applicable to the individual; and
- (7) Relocation beginning within a reasonable period, as determined under §617.43(b), and completion of such relocation within a reasonable period of time as determined in accordance with Federal travel regulations and §617.43(a).
- (b) Job search. Applications for a relocation allowance and a job search allowance may not be approved concurrently, but the prior payment of a job search allowance shall not otherwise preclude the payment of a relocation allowance.

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§617.43 Time of relocation.

- (a) Applicable considerations. In determining whether an individual's relocation is completed in a reasonable period of time, a State agency, among other factors, shall consider whether:
- (1) Suitable housing is available in the area of relocation;
- (2) The individual can dispose of the individual's residence;
- (3) The individual or a family member is ill; and
- (4) A member of the individual's family is attending school and when the